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SUBJECT: NETHERLANDS/UNGA: DUTCH NON-COMMITTAL ON FIRST
COMMITTEE (UNFC) DRAFT RESOLUTION ON AD HOC COMMITTEES

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Classified By: POLCOUNS Andrew J. Schofer for Reasons 1.4(b) and (d).

1. (C) On September 6, POLOFF discussed reftel points on the proposed Mexican draft resolution on ad hoc committees in the UNGA First Committee (UNFC) to Joan Wiegman, Deputy Head of the Nuclear Affairs and Non-Proliferation Division at the MFA. Wiegman explained that the Dutch do not yet have a position on the draft resolution, but remarked that the draft resolution may "be a way to break deadlocks," some of which should have been broken long ago. Wiegman demurred when POLOFF reiterated USG commitment to the Conference on Disarmament (CD) and urged her to consider that the draft resolution would, at the very least, undermine its efficacy. She promised, however, to distribute the general points (which POLOFF left as a non-paper per reftel) appropriately to ensure they received full consideration in formulating the Dutch position.

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